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CROSSFIELD, ALBERTA, FRIDAY, DECEMBER 24th, 1915.

PRICE \$1 A YEAR.

## LAUT BROS.

### CHOICE FOODS FOR THE CHRISTMAS TABLE

Christmas is the great festival season of the year and the time when every housewife desires to present an appetizing table to her family and guests. We have choice foods gathered from all parts of the world to make your dinner a success. Our assortment awaits your choice.

#### Tasty Fresh Fruit:

You will want Fruit and of course you will want it good. That's the kind we sell.

New Naval Oranges, Thin Skinned sweet and juicy, per doz. **30c and 40c**  
Emperor Grapes, per lb. **25c**  
Jap Oranges, per box **75c**

#### Choice Dinner Vegetables

If you want high grade vegetables for your Christmas table we can recommend nothing better than British Canadian brand, they are the best we can get.

Tomatoes, per tin **15c**  
Peas or Corn, per tin **12c**  
Asparagus " **30c**  
Mushrooms " **20c**

#### Have You Made Your Christmas Cake Yet?

You haven't very much time left now, and we have all the ingredients at prices that will please you.

Choice Seedless Raisins, pkg. **12 1/2c**  
California Seedless Raisins **12 1/2c**  
Bleached Sultans **15c**  
Mixed Peel, per lb. **25c**

#### New Season Nuts:

Nothing is better at the end of a good meal than good, fresh nuts. Our assortment consists of Walnuts, Filberts, Brazils, Almonds, Pecans, mixed or singly at per lb. **25c.**

#### Christmas Candy:

No Christmas is complete without Candy. Our assortment is good and we have it to suit all ages and at all prices. Special prices for Schools and entertainment committees. Fancy Boxes and Stockings for all

Did you say you were short of Eggs for your Christmas Baking, Try a can of Holbrooks Egg Powder at **20c.**

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### TIMS & CUMING

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CHAS. HULTGREN, Crossfield

#### We Wish All Our Readers

A Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year

#### Local and General:

Mr. and Mrs. L. V. Bliss spent last week with friends in Calgary, taking in the fat stock show while there.

Mrs. W. H. Smith left Crossfield on Monday morning to spend the festive season with her parents at Coronation.

Church of the Ascension.---On Sunday next, Dec. 26th, at 11 a.m. The Rev. J. P. Dingle will officiate at Morning Prayer and celebrate Holy Communion.

The public of Crossfield and district will be glad to know that the Agricultural Society is having a Masquerade Ball on New Year's Eve Dec. 26th. All availing themselves of the opportunity are assured of a good time. Prizes will be given as usual. Gents \$1.00.

L. V. Bliss purchased five pure bred Berkshire sows at the Calgary show last week, one of them taking 2nd prize in the bacon type.

We notice John Morrison gained another batch of prizes besides those published last week, with his poultry at the Calgary show. Having secured in the Silver Campine variety: cock 1st and 2nd, hen 1st and 2nd, cockerel 1st, 2nd and 3rd; pullet 1st, 2nd and 3rd.

Mr. and Mrs. E. S. McRory left Crossfield on Thursday evening last on a round of visits during the Christmas holidays. They will take in Moose Jaw, Regina, Souris and Winnipeg. E. S. expects to resume duties on January 2nd.

A meeting will be held at Inverlea Schoolhouse, on Wednesday, Dec. 29th, for the purpose of deciding as to whether Inverlea shall have a Hockey club and a place to skate this winter. Everybody come.

Mr. W. Bradley has been laid up with a cold for a few days, but is now able to be around again he hopes to be in a position to open his blacksmith shop in the course of a day or two. He went to Calgary on a business trip on Wednesday. Many of his old acquaintances have seen him and are pleased to renew their friendship.

Dr. M. Mecklenburg, Opticians and Expert Eye Specialist, will again pay a visit to Carstairs, on Friday, Dec. 31st, and Airdrie on Tuesday, Jan. 4th, 1916.

Mrs. Mossop and children journey to Calgary on Wednesday.

Mrs. Capis wishes to inform her friends and patrons that she has removed to the old Jessiman house (east of the Fire Hall). Where she will be pleased to receive any work you may require.

Farmers Insure your Buildings in the Wawanesa Mutual Fire Insurance Co. A Company of the Farmers and for the Farmers only. Costs only about 35 cents a year for \$100 Insurance.

Chas. Hultgren, Agent.



## W. McRory & Sons

WISH ALL

THEIR PATRONS & FRIENDS

## A Merry Christmas

AND

## A Happy and Prosperous New Year.

### CROSSFIELD DISTRICT ASSOCIATION U.F.A.

THIS SPACE is retained for the use of Members of U.F.A.; to Advertise anything they may want to Sell, have to Buy or Exchange.

It is hoped that liberal patronage will be given this space, and findings not later than Tuesday evening of each week handed to the Editor or A. A. Hall, Secretary.

Wanted to Purchase.—Root Pulper for Cash. Levi Bone.

Lost.—1 white faced Steer, coming 2 years old, branded F N on left ribs. Strayed from sec. 36, 28, R 2, w 5.—W J Wilson.

For Sale, or to trade for Stock.—One Cushman Engine 4-h.p., also one Chatham Incubator, 200 egg.—L. V. Bliss.

For Sale.—One Mare and one Gelding, aged 5 and 6, weigh 3,000. E. J. Kenzler, W. B. Edwards Farm.

Wanted to Buy a cheap Quarter or Half Section of Land. Improved or unimproved. Apply P.O. Box 22.

For Sale.—Young high grade Shorthorn Cows and Heifers, in-calf. Also some registered Bulls rising one year. Buff Orpington Cockerels. E. Richards.

Lost.—One small Black Bear Pig about 7 weeks old. H. Sievert For Sale.—Some Young Pedigree Berkshire Sows. G. T. Jones Wanted to Buy, some Calves. Thos. Fitzgerald.

All those who have any Stock of any kind, or Machinery to Sell at the Auction to be held in town on Jan. 8th, will kindly list it with us by the end of the month.

Free to Members of U.F.A.

A. A. HALL, Secretary.

I Wish  
Everybody a  
Merry Xmas  
AND A  
Prosperous New Year.  
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These safe, sure, vegetable pills quickly right the conditions that cause headache, languor, constipation and biliousness. They are free from habit-forming drugs. They do not irritate or weaken the bowels.

Women find that relieving the smallills promptly, prevents the development of big ones. They depend on Beecham's Pills to tone, strengthen and

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Direction with Every Box of Special Value to Women  
Sold Everywhere. In boxes, 25 cents.

**\$100,000 Contributed to Red Cross**

Over \$100,000 in cash and supplies were donated to the Red Cross in Saskatchewan during the past year, according to the report of the honorary secretary, E. D. McCallum, at the annual meeting of the provincial executive of the Red Cross society, held at Regina recently. Mr. McCallum, in the presentation of his report, made a strong appeal for a new general canvass of the province for funds. He favored working through the municipalities, instead of through the local branches of the society.

No child should be allowed to suffer an hour from worms when prompt relief can be got in a simple but strong remedy—Mother Graves' Worm Extirminator.

"The doctor suggested that I live on water for five days."  
"On water?"  
"Yes, he told me that a trip across would do me good."

Minard's Liniment Cures Gargat in Cows.

Hub—Well, it takes two to make a quarrel, so I'll shut up.  
Wife—That's just like a contemptible man. You'll sit there and think mean things.

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FOR KIDNEY DISEASE  
GRAVEL  
RHEUMATISM  
BRUISES  
DIABETES  
ETC.

DR. R. B. DODD'S

**A Diving Projectile**

To Be Used on New French Gun to Bury Foe in Trenches

The great French advance which is to clear the German invaders out of Belgium and France will be preceded home just as soon as the army is sufficiently equipped with the new gun about which there has been so much talk of late in military circles. It is understood that nearly the number required are now in readiness, and when these big guns are brought to the front they are expected to make short work of the German trenches.

Special interest in the character of these new guns, which has not yet been officially disclosed, was aroused by the announcement regarding the diving projectile which is said to have done so much towards clearing the sea of the German submarines. According to announcements, the new "Conan fuse," as it is called, is the most precious asset of unorthodox military today. The outstanding features of this fuse are described as follows: It was invented three years ago by an Irishman named Walter Conan, whose home is in Dublin. It can be affixed to a shell fired from a gun or howitzer or to a bomb dropped from an aeroplane. In striking the water the projectile, of which the Conan apparatus forms part, dives and explodes at any predetermined depth up to 30 feet below the surface. The shock of its explosion under water is sufficient to sink a submarine, usually by making it turn turtle. It is understood that a similar apparatus has been adapted and attached to the projectiles used by the new large guns. They will be used against the German trenches, and instead of the difficult task of turning the soldiers out of these retreats, it is expected that the French will dispose of them by burying large bodies of them in their own trenches.

**World's Largest Coin**

One of the largest coins ever struck, 22½ in. by 12 in., has come into the possession of the American Numismatic Society. The piece is copper. It was struck in Sweden in 1809, and has an intrinsic value of about 21s. As a numismatic rarity it is said to be worth at present at least \$500.

It is a rectangular ingot with five large round stamps punched in. Each corner stamp carries the Swedish crown, with the date. Around the edge is the inscription of King Gustavus V., the reigning king.

This coin was struck at Avesta, Sweden. When fresh from the mint it fell overboard in the harbor of Jilga, Russia, from which a dredge brought it up ten years ago. Coins of the kind were called "plate money" Sweden turned them out, almost continuously for 110 years.

Once 116 bronze cannon were melted down and turned into \$87,600 coins; but the main purpose in minting the pieces was to find an outlet for the Swedish copper mines without depreciating the value of the metal.

**It Bids Pain Begone**—When neuralgia racks the nerves or lumbago cripples the back is the time to test the virtues of Dr. Thomas' Electric Oil. Well rubbed in it will still the pain and produce a sensation of ease and rest. There is nothing like it as a liniment for its curative properties are great. A trial of it will establish faith in it.

A small special constable when on top of a flatcar was requested by the conductor to come down to deal with a man who was inclined to be abusive. He asked the constable to comply with the request, but found himself confronted by a huge ruffian about six feet six inches high and four feet broad.

"There he is," said the conductor. "He won't pay his fare."

The small special constable reflected, then remarked, sadly: "Well, I suppose I must pay it for him."

**DR. CHASE'S NERVE FOOD**

Headache, sleeplessness and tired, draggy feelings soon disappear when you restore vigor to the exhausted nerves by using Dr. Chase's Nerve Food.

50 cents a box, all dealers or Edman, Baker & Co., Limited, Toronto.

**Johnny—What language do they speak in heaven, Billy?**  
Billy—it ain't English, anyway. Our new baby is just from heaven, and can't speak a word of English.

He (coaching her in golf)—You now address the ball.  
She—Without an introduction?

**Good-Bye, Old Backache**  
Nervine Will Fix You!

**Stiffness is Rubbed Right Out; Every Sign of Pain Disappears**

Get whiz—think of it! No more stomach doing necessary to cure lame back. Every trace of lameness, every bit of stiffness, every sign of weakness in the back muscles can be rubbed away for all time to come by good old Nervine.

No other liniment can do the work so quickly, can penetrate so deeply, soothe, soothe and comfort to the back-wary sufferer as Nervine invariably does.

Backache isn't the only malady Nervine is quick to cure. For lumbago or sciatica, you could be rubbed relief, so speedy as Nervine gives. For chronic rheumatism there are pain-killing properties in Nervine that give it first rank. The way it limbers up a stiff joint and takes soreness out of strained or rheumatic muscles is simply a wonder.

If you have an ache or pain anywhere, if you have a sore back, a stiff neck, a stiff joint, a strained muscle—if you have lumbago, congested chest or more throat, just try Nervine. Rub it on plentifully—it won't blister, it won't burn, it won't irritate. If you have an ache or pain anywhere, if you have a sore back, a stiff neck, a stiff joint, a strained muscle—if you have lumbago, congested chest or more throat, just try Nervine. Rub it on plentifully—it won't blister, it won't burn, it won't irritate.

Thousands of mothers throughout Canada have written of their thankfulness for what Baby's Own Tablets have done for their little ones. Among them is Mrs. Frank Wright, Clifford, Ont., who says: "If I would not be without Baby's Own Tablets as they were of great help to me when my little boy was troubled with constipation and sour stomach." The Tablets cure indigestion; colds and simple fevers; colic, expel worms and promote healthy sleep. They are sold by medicine dealers or by mail at 25 cents a box from The Dr. Williams' Medicine Co., Brockville, Ont.

**Travelling in Donegal** not long ago, a clergyman engaged a loquacious boatman to row him on one of the lakes and show him the sights. They inspected a ruined castle with the legend of a banshee. The clergyman, thinking he would put a poser to the loquacious Irishman, who knew everything, inquired:

"Have you ever seen a banshee, Pat?"

"Aye, bead, that I have, your reverence."

"Indeed!" said the clergyman with an incredulous smile. And pray, where did you see one?"

"Stuffed, in a museum," replied the unabashed Celt, without any hesitation.

**Minard's Liniment Cures Distemper, Seed, Toll and Tillage**

The peculiar nature of large harvests is that while the cost of production increases with the yield, it does not increase nearly in proportion to the value of the crop. Maximum yields are economically practicable and pay better in proportion to their cost than smaller yields.

The idea is prevalent the season is a big factor in crop production, and so it is; but doubtless it is the controlling factor for the best of weather is futile in the face of neglect, poor seed and barren soil. Furthermore even the vagaries of bad weather can be modified somewhat by good farm management and especially by wise soil improvement, which Dr. Hopkins says is "the most profitable business an honest man can undertake."

The factors of seed, soil and tillage are easily under the control of the planter.

**So Good for Children**

Millions of pounds of delicious "Crown Brand" Corn Syrup are sold every year to mothers just for the children.

**EDWARDSBURG**  
**"Crown Brand" CORN SYRUP**

Mothers know it is practically all nourishment. They know it is a food—that Breadspread with "Crown Brand" makes a well-balanced food that sustains and builds up the strength.

Mothers know, too, that "Crown Brand" is the most economical "sweetener" for all sorts of Cakes, Pies, puddings and Sauces—and is the whole thing for delicious homemade Candies.

"LILY WHITE" is our pure white Corn Syrup—not so pronounced in flavor as "Crown Brand"—equally clean, the table and for candy making.

ASK YOUR GROCER IN 2, 5, 10 AND 20 POUND TINS.

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Wool's Phosphopine is a unique and powerful remedy for all the ailments of the nervous system, such as Neuritis, Debility, Mental and Brain Disorders, Nervous Exhaustion, Headaches, Migraine, Epilepsy, Stomach and Bowel Disorders, etc. It is a powerful tonic and restorative, and is sold in plain glass bottles, 25c and 50c.

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**Have Style and Wear Well**

**BLAZED TROUSERS**

SEE THE COCKSHUTT AGENT



## Red Cross Notes.

The Red Cross Society acknowledges with thanks the following donations and work:

From Abernethy District \$100.00  
 Mrs. E. McCool and family 14.00  
 Inverlea Tea 1.30  
 Floral 2.15  
 Mr. Reese Jones 2.00 (membership fee)  
 Crossfield School Xmas donation: Primary 1.00 Intermediate 1.00 Senior 2.00  
 Floral Sewing Circle: 1 ice bag, 19 T. bandages, 3 M.-T. bandages, 3 P.P. bags, 1 suit pyjamas.  
 Mrs. Jas. Robertson, 3 pairs socks, Bill, 11 pair socks, 2 day shirts.

Mrs. W. McElroy, 2 pair socks, Miss Allie Fenwick, 1 pair socks, Mrs. Conrad, 1 pair socks, Vavesour, 1 pair socks, Misses P. and D. Leonard, 2 doz. hdk's, 3 M.-T. bandages, 17 T. bandages, 7 washrags, Mrs. Muller, 2 M.-T. bandages, 10 T. bandages, 10 washrags, 8 hdk's, Mrs. Tufford, 1 doz. hdk's, Miss Sheppard, 2 T. bandages, Mrs. Benedix, 19 hdk's, Intermediate Room, Crossfield School: 20 washrags, 52 hdk's; Primary Room, 53 hdk's, Inverlea School, 6 hdk's.  
 Sewing Circle: 34 T. bandages, 4 M.-T. bandages.

The Abernethy Fund of \$100 was forwarded to Miss Pinkham this week.

A splendid shipment of Red Cross supplies was forwarded to the Red Cross Depot at Calgary, Saturday, Dec. 18th.

The shipment consisted of 23 day shirts, 23 surgicals, 12 suits pyjamas, 137 M.-T. bandages, 356 T. bandages, 27 pairs socks, 1 pair wristlets, 1 nuffer, 2 cholera belts, 32 washrags, 2 night shirts, 409 hdk's, 5 personal property bags, 2 hot water wringers, 5 ice bags. Total 1,089 articles.

This shipment is the combined work of the Sewing Circles at Crossfield, Elba, Floral, Inverlea and Kersey.

## "Irish"

"A week or two ago a gentleman who was accompanied by two ladies was visiting a wounded friend in a Red Cross Hospital in England.

When we arrived there were several patients in bed, we had not been there long when in came a soldier. We could see he was desirous of getting to bed, and after a short time he took off his coat and puttees and provided himself with a book and some fruit; then he brought a screen, behind which he made himself comfortable in the bed.

A few minutes afterwards in came the nurse, and after speaking to the patient with whom we were, she turned round and noticed the screen round the other bed.

Now the nurse was a native of Erin's Isle, and she made a charge at the now peacefully settled convalescent in the bed.

"What are you doing with this round your room?"

"Oh, I put it there while I go to bed."

"Then what did you put it back for?"

"And she shut it in with a bang and marched away, amidst the roar of all the spectators."

## Announcement.

Gospel Meetings are being held on Sundays, at 3 p.m., at the residence of C. Hultgren, and on Wednesday's at 7:30 p.m., at Mr. Jas. Sonat's place, 3 miles south of Crossfield. A very cordial invitation is extended to all to attend these meetings. We will welcome the co-operation of all interested in the extension of God's Kingdom. Subjects such as: "Has God revealed to man His purpose and plan of Salvation?" and "How?" "Jesus Christ the same yesterday, today, and for ever, is it to-day?" "What is the meaning of it?" COME, AND BRING OTHERS. C. HULTGREN.

## Local and General News

Mrs. Birch went to Calgary on Wednesday afternoon on a visit to her mother.

Mr. and Mrs. F. Purvis took a trip to Calgary on Wednesday in their Ford car.

Mr. W. Stafford left Crossfield on Sunday last for the east, where he intends spending the Christmas holidays.

The Old Country Britishers Third Annual Dinner will take place on Friday, January 7th, 1916. Owing to the fact that so many have joined the forces we hope everyone will make an effort to be present as the proceeds are to be devoted to war funds. The dinner will be held as usual at the Alberta Hotel at 7:30.

The Christmas Concert took place at the Rodney Schoolhouse on Wednesday evening given by the school children. The programme consisted of action songs, recitations, choruses, etc. About 30 pieces in all. The programme was very well rendered throughout and great credit is due to the teacher for the efforts put forth.

Halliday and Co. expect to move into their new quarters (the store building formerly occupied by Mr. Wiggins) next Tuesday. The store has been renovated and painted, and presents a very fine appearance, besides the shelving capacity has been increased fully fifty per cent.

Another motor accident occurred last week end, as Mr. R. Peacock and three friends were travelling in the car in the Beaver Dam district the car ran over a bank and dropped down a good distance. Luckily the car landed in an upright position and the inmates escaped without any serious injury. The car, however, sustained some damage, including a broken front axle and back wheel.

A concert given by the children of the Crossfield and district schools took place on Tuesday evening in Union Church. There was a fairly good and appreciative audience. The programme included songs, recitations, action songs, etc. Mr. Berry, who was the chairman explained the objects of the concert and appealed on behalf of the children. The children had made a good response to the appeal for goods, etc., that might be sent to the Salvation Army Homes in Calgary. The concert was brought to a close by the singing of "O Canada," and the National anthem.

John Nier was brought before Mr. Justice Walsh on Thursday morning for sentence. The court at its recent sitting having upheld the conviction on bail. His lordship lectured Nier at some length, and allowed him to go on his own recognizances in the sum of \$2,000, to be of good behaviour for a period of three years.

For Sale.—Full size folding Bed, bevel plate mirror in front, just the thing for small home. Takes up no more room than a dresser.—See A. A. Halliday.

## Tit-For-Tat

A number of soldiers were lined up on the parade ground for physical drill. Among us was a new recruit, who was very round shouldered. The instructor sergeant-major, whom we all laugh at (as he is quite bald-headed), said to the new recruit "What will you give me if I get that hump off your back?"

The new recruit never moved a muscle, but answered him with "Something to make your hair grow!"

You can guess there were not many straight faces in the ranks for a long while after. Anyway he got off with a caution, but it tickled us for many a day after.

## Empire Defenders.

We print below a list of the men from the Crossfield district who have joined the ranks of our Empire Defenders.

Should any names have been omitted and any of our readers be able to supply us with the same we should be glad to include same.

Lieut. Col. R. L. Boyle, 10th Batt. Killed in Action.  
 W. G. R. Mundell, Princess Pat's, Killed in Action.  
 Charles Thomas, 9th, Band.

V. J. Truphart, 12th Mounted Rifles.

John Chesees, " "

Jas. Watt, " "

W. H. Barton, " "

M. Lewis, " "

R. Lewis, " "

Robt. Salter, 31st Batt.

Jerry Fuller, " "

Cyril Fuller, " "

Peaseley Conner, " "

L. L. Brown, " "

M. L. Boyle, " "

Clyde Starrock, 56th Batt.

Frank Laveck, 56th Batt.

John Galloway, " "

S. J. Hunter, " "

R. McDonald, " "

P. J. Swann, 51st Batt.

W. C. Clark, " "

Harry Fenwick, 56th Batt.

Jack Collins, " "

Charles Collins, " "

R. Landsborough, " "

Fred Blake, " "

C. W. H. Atkinson, Medical Corps.

St. Hy. Wistfield, Special Batt.

A. Fraser, 4th Field Co. Engineers

A. R. V. Dyke

Capt. F. Thorpe

Charlie Knight, 31st Batt.

David Grant, " "

Harry Ousley, " "

G. T. Cornwell, 82nd Batt.

Bert Wolodze, " "

Jas. Moss, " "

J. G. Fisher

L. G. Clinton, 56th Batt.

S. Dawson, 56th Batt.

Douglas Hall, 56th Batt.

W. A. M. Hallett, 88th Batt.

Besides there are some who have very recently removed from here and are well known, and have enlisted elsewhere:

Bruce Knox, 56th Batt.

R. H. Hunter, 13th Mounted

A. C. Witter,

Walter Goodland, 56th Batt. Corporal.

Jesse Fike

F. Eyskeloch

J. Levenson

Frank R. Parker, Senr.

W. B. Edward, 56th Batt.

## Lodge Cards

## CROSSFIELD LODGE I. O. O. F.

No. 42

Meets Every Wednesday Night in the Oddfellows Hall at 8 p.m.

Visiting Brethren Welcome.

A. JESSEMAN, N. A. W. GORDON, Fin. Sec'y. Rec. Sec'y

## Council Meetings

The council of the Village of Crossfield will meet in the Council Chamber over Fire Hall on the first Monday of each month, commencing with February at the hour of 8 o'clock p.m.

By Order of the Village Council

M-52 W. McElroy, Sec.-Treas.

## Lost.

Lost a POCKET BOOK, containing Dollar Bills and other Papers. Finder will be suitably rewarded on returning same to Chronicle Office.

## FOR SALE.

For Sale, about 250 bushels of Hollies Barley, with some Bearded Barley in it. Apply to Wm. Kell, Crossfield.

## Found.

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## Estray Notices.

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## Christmastide.

Once more we are on the eve of what ought to be the happiest day of the year, and yet for many of us it will be only the culmination of a period of worries, heart-burnings and unattained hopes. Is it necessary that we so debase it?

Consider the Christmases that are past. Are any of them sweeter to remember than those of your childhood? And is it the quantity or the value of the gifts you received that made them dear? On the wonderful morning that you remember so well, there may have been some simple toy and home-made candy, an orange or pair of mits and a doll. Perhaps if you were a boy, there was a knife or a sleigh; or if you were getting into young girlhood, a little travelling toilet case or a small piece of jewelry or a workbox. There was nothing very elaborate or expensive.

Your happiness was owing not to the events of the day, but to the spirit of it; to the rosy light of imagination that lay upon you, and the feeling of mystery that lifted the day to a height above all others; the mystery of a benign presence that had been working to make you happy and, unseen and unheard had entered the house in the night to leave its tokens of an unselfish love.

In the story of the wise men who came out of the East, we read: "And when they had opened their treasures, they presented unto Him gifts." It does not say that they gave themselves up to repining over what they could not bestow or went about searching anxiously for something they did not possess, but only that from their treasures—the things that they had—they gave simply and with love. And the world has called them wise.

The old fashioned Christmas, the best that the world has ever known—the only true Christmas—goes back more than nineteen hundred years, to Bethlehem of Judea. Let us restore and keep the spirit of it.

## The Present Condition of the Canadian Egg Market

For the first time in a number of years eggs have taken a prominent place in Canada's export trade. This is largely due to the unprecedented demand for eggs on the part of the British market and the fact that British dealers have shown a marked preference for Canadian eggs over United States eggs and a willingness to pay a distinctly higher price for them.

So great in fact has been the demand that Canadian dealers have shipped practically all of the available Canadian storage product to the old country. As a result there is not in Canada at the present time, sufficient eggs in storage to supply home consumption until fresh receipts in appreciable quantities begin to come in.

Quantities of eggs from the United States, however, are being imported into Canada, some in bond for export, but the larger part to take the place of the Canadian product exported. On account of the keen demand for Canadian eggs above mentioned, United States eggs can be laid down in Canada at the present time, duty paid, at several cents per dozen less than the price at which Canadian eggs are selling for export and they should be procurable by the consumer accordingly.

## Fight or Pay--

## What Did You Do--

to help the Empire's cause last year? Were you satisfied with yourself? Did you not afterwards think you could have done more? Don't you think you can do more this year?

## There's Another Fellow--

who would go if he were sure his wife and children would be looked after in his absence. Help to send him by subscribing liberally to the Patriotic Fund when they call upon you to do so.

On the other hand the Canadian market at the present time for Canadian 'Specials' (few laid) the production of which is not enough in most instances to supply the demand at local country markets. This means that high prices will have to be paid in consuming centres in order to draw a portion of these supplies from local points. Producers may therefore definitely expect reasonably high prices during the period of low production for fresh gathered eggs that will grade 'Specials.'

The question has been raised as to whether the phenomenal demand on the part of the British market for Canadian eggs will continue. This depends entirely upon the quality of Canadian eggs exported. Canada has tremendous possibilities as an egg producing country. The poultry industry is at present but a mere fraction of what it might be. It remains, therefore, for those most interested in the development of this trade to make the best possible use of their present opportunities, and by careful supervision of the quality of Canadian eggs going forward to pave the way for an extensive and profitable export trade in the future.

## Limp and Empty Stockings

Christmastide should not be cheerless for any boy or girl in this Christian land. Many people could recall the bitter disappointment brought on Christmas morning with the chilling effect it had upon the heart. If such have come to enjoy a comfortable income, they should not forget the poor at this season of good cheer.

In our midst may be children whose stockings will hang limp and empty on Christmas morning unless some kind neighbor remembers them and remembers the stings of poverty at this season of gifts and gladness. The cup of cold water given in Christ's name, entitling the giver to distinction among the saints includes the thoughtful provision for some poor child's joy on Christmas morn. The opportunity for bringing good cheer to some desolate home is yours now. Improve it and it will bring you joy.

## BIRTH.

On the 20th inst., at Calgary, to Mr. and Mrs. George Huser, Jr., of Crossfield, a daughter.

## Lost, Strayed or Stolen.

From pasture on the old Manasseh Weber Farm, west of Didsbury, BAY MARE and FOAL; BLACK GELDING, star on forehead; Four young BAYS; all but the colts are branded (across) on right hip. Reward will be given for information leading to the recovery sent to Mr. FRED MOYLE, Didsbury.

## SYNOPSIS OF CANADIAN NORTH- WEST LAND REGULATIONS.

THE sole head of a family, or any male over 18 years old, may homestead a quarter-section of available Dominion land in Manitoba, Saskatchewan or Alberta. Applicant must appear in person at the Dominion Lands Agency or Sub-Agency for the district. Entry by proxy may be made at any Dominion Lands Agency (but not Sub-Agency), on certain conditions.

Duties.—Six months' residence upon cultivation of the land in each of three years. A homesteader may live within nine miles of his homestead on a farm of at least 80 acres, on certain conditions. A habitable house is required except where residence is performed in the vicinity.

In certain districts a homesteader in good standing may pre-empt a quarter-section alongside his homestead. Price \$3.00 per acre.

Duties.—Six months residence in each of three years after earning homestead patent; also 80 acres extra cultivation. Pre-emption patent may be obtained as soon as homestead patent, on certain conditions.

A settler who has exhausted his homestead right may take a purchased homestead in certain districts. Price \$5.00 per acre. Duties.—Must reside six months in each of three years, cultivate fifty acres and erect a house worth \$200.00.

The area of cultivation is subject to reduction in case of rough, stony or scrubby land. Live stock may be substituted for cultivation under certain conditions.

W. W. GOBY, C.M.G.,  
Deputy of the Minister of the Interior,  
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